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九月八日九年未癸

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOWR, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES HENRY & CO., 37, Wallbrook, E. C. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLIEN & PEINER, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO, and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & CO., Singapore. C. HEINSEIN & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—MUNRO, MUNRO & A. A. DE MELLO & CO., Canton. QUENBY & CO., Amoy. WATSON, NICHOLSON & CO., Foochow. HEDGE & CO., Shanghai. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000.
INSTALLMENT RECEIVED ON NEW SHARES.....\$24,765.62
RESERVE FUND.....\$2,500,000.
INSTALLMENT OF PREMIUM received on NEW SHARES.....\$98,336.43
\$26,026,765.62

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. M. REINHES, Esq.
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MANAGER.
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HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " " 6 per cent. " "

LEGAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Banking business transacted.

Debts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 25, 1883.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

FROM this date Messrs. RUSSELL & CO. will conduct our Business at this port and all communications should be addressed to them.

Messrs. RUSSELL & CO. will also Act as Agents at this port for our line of Steamers.

Geo. R. STEVENS & CO.

Hongkong, August 1, 1883.

NOTICE.

I HAVE established myself at this Port and in Formosa under the style of J. C. ELLES & CO. Mr. FRANCIS OASS is authorized to sign the firm.

JAMES C. ELLES.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE THIRD CALL of £10 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 Shares, NEW ISSUE of this CORPORATION, will fall due on the 30th September CURRENT, in London, Calcutta, Bombay, Shanghai and Hongkong.

REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS entitled to NEW SHARES, are requested to Pay, at the respective OFFICES, the above Call or its equivalent in the Currency of the above-mentioned places.

PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES are being issued in Exchange for the 1st Call Receipts, which are to be surrendered to the Bank.

HOLDERS OF PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES, when paying this Call, will please send same to this Office to be endorsed.

The Rate of Exchange for Hongkong is fixed at 3/- 7d. or 84/- 70 per Share.

Interest at the Rate of 7% per Annun will be charged on Calls unpaid on the 30th September.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 12, 1883.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1882.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to send in to this Office a List of their Contributions of Premium for the year and the sum received in Order that the PROPORTION OF PROFIT for that year to be Paid as BONDS to Contributors may be arranged. Returns not sent in before the 30th November next, will be made up by the Company, and no subsequent Claims or Alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Board,
T. JACKSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 1, 1883.

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, on SATURDAY, the 20th Instant, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year 1882, and for the half-year ending 30th June, 1883.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 20th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, October 10, 1883.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at its Head Office, on THURSDAY, the 26th Instant, at 12 o'clock, in accordance with the Provisions of the Company's Ordinance 1865 and 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Dated 17th October, 1883.

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HONGKONG RACES 1884.

THIS MEETING will take place on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, and FRIDAY, the 20th, 21st, and 22nd February, 1884.

GENTLEMEN having suggestions to offer or presentations to make are invited to communicate with the Clerk of the Course on or before the 27th instant.

THE HONGKONG DERBY—1884.

The HONGKONG DERBY, a Sweepstakes of \$20 each, will be held on or before the date of closing entries, with \$100 added for 1st Pony, and \$50 for 2nd. For all Chin Ponies, bond *vide* Grading at date of entry, (SATURDAY, 19th January, 1884). First Pony, 70 per cent.; Second Pony, 20 per cent.; Third Pony, 10 per cent. Weight 10st. 10lbs. One Mile-and-a-half. Nominations close on WEDNESDAY, 19th December, 1883, addressed to the Clerk of the Course, at the Hongkong Club.

By Order,
H. J. H. TRIPP,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, October 16, 1883.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Second Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned, No. 7, Queen's Road, at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of October instant.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, October 17, 1883.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st day of October instant, both days included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, October 17, 1883.

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HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st day of October instant, both days included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 15, 1883.

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NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st October, the PRICE of ICE will be REDUCED to 12 Cents per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, October 1, 1883.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will return to each Insurer through 33 1/3 % of any profit there may be on his account for the 12 months ending the 30th April in each year. In the first settlement, only transactions initiated between this date and the 30th April next will be included.

The settlement will be made so soon as the Risks covered in each period have run off, and will be based on the difference between Net Premium received, and Losses and Claims paid.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, B. & F. M. Ince, Co., Ltd.

MAYNIN INSURANCE, PARTICIPATION IN PROFITS.

THE Undersigned will return to each Insurer through 33 1/3 % of any profit there may be on his account for the 12 months ending the 30th April in each year. In the first settlement, only transactions initiated between this date and the 30th April next will be included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, October 17, 1883.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will return to each Insurer through 33 1/3 % of any profit there may be on his account for the 12 months ending the 30th April in each year. In the first settlement, only transactions initiated between this date and the 30th April next will be included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 10, 1883.

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For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

TO HAND PER "GLENNOGLE"

PEARS' ASSORTED BEST TOILET SOAPS.

PEARS' PRICKLY HEAT SOAP.

CARBOLIC ACID.

CARBOLIC DISINFECTION POWER IN DREDGERS.

WINTER HOSIERY.

TAILORING GOODS IN THIS SEASON'S PATTERNS.

THE NEW CLIMAX UMBRELLAS, guaranteed to wear THE NEW TODDY KETTLES WITH LAMPS.

THE NEW COFFEE MACHINES.

THE DUPLEX TABLE LAMPS, latest designs.

ARTISTIC FENDERS and FIRE IRONS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, September 17, 1883.

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SAYLE & CO.'S SHOW-ROOMS.

JUST RECEIVED EX "GLENELG."

AND NOW SHOWING.

CHEAP TRIMMED MILLINERY in latest styles.

SPECIALTIES in BEAVER.

FELT, and STRAW HATS, and

BONNETS in newest shapes.

FEATHERS,

FLOWERS,

MILLINERY,

SILKS,

VELVETS,

SATINS,

&c., &c., &c.

EDWARD SCHELHASS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, October 8, 1883.

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NOTICE.

THE WELL-KNOWN GERMAN STEAMER "C. H. I. N. A."

of 640 Tons Register, with a pair of direct acting surface condensing MARINE ENGINES of 120 Horse-Power, with all her TACKLE, APPAREL, and INVENTORY, &c.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE),
ARE NOW LANDING
FROM AMERICA.

CALIFORNIA
CRACKER
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY.
Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL
CORNMEAL

White BEANS.
TOPICAL BUTTER.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
CODEFISH in Tins.
Primo HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEEF in 25 lb kegs.
Beau Ideal SALMON in its cans.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.
Clam CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCOTASH.
BRAINS.
Milk SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
LOBSTERS.
OYSTERS.
HONEY.
Corn STARCH.
Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.
400 lb. Capacity.
600 lb. "
900 lb. "
1,200 lb. "

CORN BROOMS.
OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS.
AXES and HATCHETS.
AGATE IRON WARE.
WAFFLE IRONS.
SMOOTHING IRONS.
PAINTS and OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
—VARNISHES.

DEVOE'S NONPARIEL
BRILLIANT
KEROSINE OIL,
150° test.

Ex late Arrivals from
ENGLAND.
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
S T O R E S,
including:
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
CAVIAR.
ASPARAGUS.
SOUPS, &c.
TEYSONNE'S DESSERT FRUITS.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.
PICNIC TONGUES.
COCOTINA.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
LIBBEO & EPP'S COCOA.
FRENCH PLUMS.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

MINCEMEAT.
SAUSAGES.
BRAWN.
DANISH BUTTER.

SPARTAN
COOKING STOVES.

ENGLISH CUTLERY.
ELECTRO-PLATE.
CROCKERY & GLASS WARE

CLARETS—
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.
JEE'S GRAYES.
BREAKFAST CLARET, "

SHERRIES & PORT—
SAVOY MANZANILLA & AMON-
TILLADO.
SAVOY'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1846).

HUNY'S PORT.
BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—
1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
Bisque DUBOUCHE & CO.'S BRANDY.
FINE OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KINAHAN'S LIQUOR.
ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.
BOOR'S OLD TOM.

E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.
ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.
NOEL PRAT & CO.'S VERMOUTH.
CHARLES'S GINGER BRANDY.

EASTERN CIDER.
CHARTREUSE.
MARASCHINO.
CUBA COCOA.

ANGOSTURA, BOKER'S and OANGE
BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BURKE, pints and quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.

SPICALLY SELECTED

C I G A R S.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SAFES, CASH and PAPER

BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, July 10, 1883.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARTIMES.
PAQUEBOIS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA,
PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS,
NAPLES, MARSEILLE, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO,
BOMBAY.

ON TUESDAY, the 23rd October,
1883, at Noon, the Company's S. S.
AMAZONE, Commandant de MAURETTE,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above-places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as Marseilles, and accepted
in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 22nd October.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 22nd October. (Parcels are not to be
sent on board; they must be left at the
Agency's Office.)

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 5, 1883. oc23



MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE,
VIA INLAND SEA.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKO-
HAMA.)

THE S.S. TAKACHILIO MARU, Capt.

I NYU, due here on or about the
21st Instant, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 26th October, at 4 p.m.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at
the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing.

No Bill of Lading signed under 82
Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Office, Praya Central, Ground
Floor of Messrs. RUSSELL & CO.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 17, 1883. oc25

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,
VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE S. S. OCEANIC will be despatched
for San Francisco, via Yokohama,
with the option of calling at Honolulu,
on WEDNESDAY, the 7th November, at
3 p.m.

Connection being made at Yokohama,
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan
ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full; and sum will be received
at the Company's Office, until 6 p.m. on the
day previous to sailing.

RETURN PASSENGERS.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San
Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa)
within six months, will be allowed a discount
of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking
within one year, an allowance of 10% will
be made from Return Fare. Pre-Fare Return
Passenger Orders, available for one year,
will be issued at a discount of 25% from
Return Fare. These allowances are to apply to
Return Fare. These allowances are to apply to
through fares from China and Japan to
Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Cus-
toms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 604, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 15, 1883. oc27

“CHINA REVIEW”

CONTAINS

The Structure of Chinese Characters.
Chinese Gilds and their Rules.

The Dialet of Yangtze.

China During the Tsin
Dynasty, A.D. 264-419.

More on the Origin of the Arabic Numerals

Opium and the Smoking Extract.

Notices of New Books and Literary Intel-
ligence.

Notes and Queries.

Correspondence.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

To Contributors.

Hongkong, September 28, 1883.

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS. Oct. 18, 1883.

Stocks. Nos. of Shares. Value. Paid up. Reserve. Working Account. Last Dividend. (%) Dividends. Cash.

BANKS—

HK and Shai
Bank... 60,000 \$ 125 \$ 125 \$ 3,198,336 \$ 52,509.62 22 100% = \$3623

INSURANCES—

Nth. China Ins.

1,000 TL 2,000 TL 600 TL 400 TL 230,464.77 TL 15 TL 1400 p. ab.

Yangtze Ins... 1,200 TL 350 TL 350 TL 538,235 TL 3,059.76 18% TL 1015

Union Ins. Co.

2,000 \$ 1,250 \$ 125 \$ 423,744 \$ 104,271.00 45.50 \$620

China Traders' Insurance... 24,000 \$ 83,333 \$ 25 \$ 600,000 \$ 107,411.65 22% 1 \$73

Coton Ins. Office

1,500 \$ 1,000 \$ 200 \$ 100,378 \$ 339,718 3% \$215

HK Fire Ins... 8,000 \$ 250 \$ 50 \$ 861,000 \$ 250,732.56 \$20 \$3524

China Fire Ins.

20,000 \$ 100 \$ 20 \$ 500,000 \$ 106,364.95 \$30,600 \$73

STEAM DRAFFERS

HK C. & M.

Steamboat... 8,000 \$ 100 \$ 75 \$ 200,000 \$ 41,320.95 6% \$125

Indo-China S.

12,000 \$ 10 \$ 10

China & Manilla S. S. Coy. Lt.

3,500 \$ 100 all

Debit. 25% div.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dock... 10,000 \$ 125 \$ 125

Gas Co... 5,000 TL 10 TL 10 TL 27,758,14.82 1,144,18.9 \$80 p. share

China Sugar Co.

9,000 TL 100 \$ 100 \$ 39,000 \$ 5,895,66.88 \$140

Hk Kong Ice Co.

1,250 \$ 100 \$ 100 \$ 15,250 \$ 867.05 \$12.75 \$150

Hk Kong Bakery

600 \$ 50 \$ 50 \$ 4,000 \$ -235.45 \$5 \$832

Luzon Sugar Co.

7,000 \$ 100 \$ 100 \$ 4,000 \$ 4,000.65 \$77

LOANS—

Chi. Imp... 6,276 \$ 100 all 8% June 30 Dec 31

" 1877 16,492 \$ 100 all 8% Feb 28 Apr 31

" 1878 3,899 TL 500 all 8% April & Oct

" 1881 8,565 TL 500 all 8% July 1st Dec 10

Sugar Debentures, 1880... 600 \$ 500 all 8% June & Dec

Interest. 2% prepn.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

EDWARD GEORGE, Sheriff Broker.

Dividends for 1881—For 1882—For 1883—For 1884—For 1885—For 1886—For 1887—For 1888—For 1889—For 1890—For 1891—For 1892—For 1893—For 1894—For 1895—For 1896—For 1897—For 1898—For 1899—For 1880—For 1881—For 1882—For 1883—For 1884—For 1885—For 1886—For 1887—For 1888—For 1889—For 1880—For 1881—For 1882—For 1883—For 1884—For 18

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THE CHINA REVIEW.
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Hongkong Rates of Postage.

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In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Parcels, per two ounces.

THIS Review, which was intended to meet the wants of many students of Chinese caused by the discontinuance of "Notes and Queries on China and Japan," has reached its Tenth Volume. The Review discusses those topics which are uppermost in the minds of students of the "Far East" and about which every intelligent person connected with China or Japan is desirous of acquiring trustworthy information. It includes many interesting Notes and original Papers on the Arts, Sciences, Literature, Mythology, Natural History, Antiquities, and Social Manners and Customs, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, and the Far East generally. Recently a new departure has been taken, and the Review now gives papers on Trade, Commerce, and Descriptive notes of Travel by well-known writers. It was thought that by extomizing the scope of the Review in this direction, the Magazine would be made more generally useful.

The Review department receives special attention, and endeavours are made to present a careful and concise record of Literature on China, etc., and to give critiques embodying sketches of the most recent works on such topics. Authors and Publishers are requested to forward works to "Editor, China Review, care of China Mail Office."

The Notes and Queries are still continued and form an important means of obtaining and diffusing among students knowledge on obscure points.

The Correspondent's column also affords further and greater facilities for the interchange of views and discussion of various topics.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, or any of the Modern Languages are received. The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, Imperial, and Hongkong Services, and also by the Missionary bodies amongst whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is exceedingly cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are Drs. Chalmers, Eich-Breitinger, Hirth, and Hance, Professor Legge, and Muzum, Balfour, Waterson, Scott, Phillips, MacIntyre, Groot, Jamie, Scott, Faber, Kopal, Parker, Playfair, Giles, and Piton—all well-known names, indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

The Subscription is fixed at \$6.50 per annum, postage included—payable in advance. Orders for binding volumes will be promptly attended to; Address, "Manager, China Mail Office."

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review."—*Northern Christian Advocate* (U.S.)

"The China Review" * * * has an excellent table of contents.—*Celestial Empire*.

"The Publication always contains subjects of interest to sojourners in the Far East and the present issue will hold favourable comparison, with preceding numbers."—*Celestial Empire*.

"This number contains several articles of interest and value."—*North-China Herald*.

"The present number of this periodical, * * * opens with a review of the Foreign China of China during 1880. This is rather a new departure for a publication which professes to be purely literary; but considering the comparatively small circulation it enjoys at present among the commercial communities of China, we hail the innovation as likely to recommend the Review to the notice of those who take an interest in few matters beyond mercantile pursuits."—*North-China Herald*.

"The China Review for September-October fully maintains the high standard of excellence which characterizes that publication, and altogether forms a very interesting and readable number. Meteorologists will find an interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Fritsche, on "The Amount of Precipitation (Rain and Snow) of Peking," showing the results of observations made at the Imperial Russian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to 1880. "Notes on the Dutch Occupation of Formosa," by Mr. G. Phillips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second hand. The Notices of New Books include a most generous and appreciative review of "The Divine Classic of Nan-Hua," and the Notes and Queries are as usual very interesting."—*North-China Daily News*.

"A substantial and reliable Review which all students of China and the Chinese would do well to patronize."—*Chrysanthemum*.

"The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr. Herbert A. Giles on "The New Testament in Chinese" treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries."—Mr. E. H. Parker's "Short Journeys in Southern China" are continued, and a goodly instalment of these travels in the interior of China is given. Mr. F. H. Ballou contributes a paper of some length entitled "The Emperor Chong, founder of the Chinese Empire," which will be of much genuine interest by students of Chinese history.

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Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed, if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General; as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the date of the *Review*, by papers highly creditable to their respective authors.

Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-po, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the *Review*, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance.

The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.) Opium, Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels are as a general rule forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. To India, they are forwarded by the P. & O. and Indian Mail Packets only, one, nor must anything whatever be inserted, except heraldic shields. Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Price Current may be paid either in Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copies, music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a *Parcel Post* to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

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Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, *sia Terra Australis*, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

5. No compensation can be paid for more damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handsomely bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

(Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.)

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

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3. From P. & O. Co.'s Factory to the Harbour Master's Office.
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5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
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